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Magalie Roman Salas
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Re: In the Matter of the Application by Verizon New England Inc. for Authorization Under Section 271 of the Communications Act to Provide In-Region, InterLATA Service in the State of Massachusetts,
CC Docket No. 01-9

Dear Secretary Salas:

The Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") respectfully moves for leave to file one business day late its Evaluation of Verizon Massachusetts' compliance with § 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. As explained below, there is good cause for this brief delay and granting the Department's request will serve the public interest. Indeed, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") is required by statute to consult with the Department and the Department's Evaluation will assist the FCC in its review of Verizon Massachusetts' § 271 application.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cathy Carpino", written in a cursive style.

Cathy Carpino
Senior Counsel
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cc: Susan Pie, Policy and Program Planning Division
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